

# Concordia Stingers



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## Bardo, Prosper named Athletes of the Year

Cassandra Bardo, a fifth-year middle hitter with the Concordia Stingers women's volleyball team and Gaetan Prosper, a highly-skilled forward with the men's basketball team, were named Concordia University's Athletes of the Year at an awards banquet held at Buffet Crystal in St. Laurent.

Bardo has had a long and impressive career at Concordia. She has been named to the Quebec Student Sports Federation all-star team three times (1993, '94 & '96) and she has also been named MVP of the volleyball team three times (1993, '94 & '96). She was also Female Athlete of the Year in 1993. Put simply, she is the best volleyball player in the history of the Concordia program.

Prosper, a fourth-year forward, is an Academic All-Canadian, an all-star and captain of the men's basketball team.

"Gaetan Prosper exemplifies all the qualities we like to see in our athletes at Concordia University," said basketball coach John Dore. "He has tremendous athletic ability and quick explosive power which enables him to succeed on the court. More importantly his leadership qualities and work ethic will enable him to experience life-long success."

Other major award winners include: Rob Balazic, football, Fittest Male Athlete; Anne Rodrigue, women's hockey, Fittest Female Athlete; Jason Della Rocca, rugby & wrestling, Ron Lapointe Award for leadership, dedication and commitment to excellence; Eleanor Chan, women's volleyball, Denise Beaudet Award for leadership, unselfishness and commitment to excellence; Jean-François Daviau, wrestling, Male Rookie of the Year; Corinne Swirsky, women's hockey, Laurie Brodrick Award to Female Rookie of the Year.

Directors Shields were given to Elisabeth Auclair and Marvin Cooper, both who have made outstanding contributions to the Department of Recreation and Athletics. Also, Merit Awards were presented to Lesley and Lisa Jordan of the women's hockey team.

The Male and Female Academic Athlete of the Year Awards went to Jason Della Rocca, an accounting student who plays rugby and wrestles, and Sylvie Bsilis, a member of the women's ski team.

The team MVPs are: Scott Ranney, baseball; Maxime Bouchard, men's basketball; André Bolduc, football; Martin Balleux, men's hockey; Chris Papadopoulos, men's rugby; Leigh Jason Quilliams, men's skiing; Tony D'Addario, men's soccer; Leslie Heller, men's Track; Jean François Daviau, wrestling; Patricia Demers, women's basketball; Cammi Granato, women's hockey; Tanya Fiori, women's rugby; Susan Sommerville, women's skiing; Megan Roberts, women's soccer; Shelly Flaro, track; and Cassandra Bardo, women's volleyball.

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